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[redacted] Date of Birth (DOB): [redacted]
[redacted] Social Security Account Number (SSAN): [redacted]
[redacted] was telephonically contacted at [redacted] residence on the morning of July 02, 2008. [redacted] was already familiar with the identity of the interview Special Agent, after being advised of the nature of the interview [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] In reference to two emails dated June 12, 2008, that [redacted] had sent writer [redacted] advised that after reflection of who at United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) had the capabilities to produce the anthrax used in the anthrax-laced letter mailings, [redacted] also was thinking about who may have had motive as well, [redacted] continued BRUCE [IVINS] had the capability and possibly the motive. [redacted] noted that IVINS was "devote Catholic" and "everyone [at USAMRIID] knew he practiced the faith." [redacted] opined IVINS was anti-abortion. [redacted] noted that U.S. Senators LEAHY and DASCHLE were amongst a list of pro-abortion Catholics in the U.S. Senate, and that the N.Y. Post and BROKAW were liberal towards women's rights.

[redacted] recalled that the first anthrax-hoax letter recovered was sent to an abortion clinic in Louisville, Kentucky, on Halloween in 1998. [redacted] opined that re-examination of this letter as well as those to an unspecified women's group in Virginia may prove useful.

[redacted] advised that prior to the first Gulf War, circa 1990-1991 time frame, there were many Division meetings at USAMRIID. [redacted] noted that [redacted] expressed at these meeting that it would be likely for a foreign nation, such as Iraq, to use a strain of anthrax as a bioweapon that was indigenous to the region. [redacted] recalled that it would be difficult to prove, that should any anthrax be used against the U.S. troops, that what they were infected with came from a bioweapon versus naturally occurring. [redacted] reiterated this was expressed at the numerous Division meetings by [redacted] however [redacted] could not recall specifically if IVINS was at such meetings or expressed similar thoughts.

[redacted] opined that perhaps the mailer of the anthrax-laced letters of 2001 applied the same logic; that is "We have the [redacted]"

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Ames strain here [at USAMRIID], of course you would expect to find it here" regarding any potential investigative activities by law enforcement to identify the mailer.

[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] has not had any contact with BRUCE IVINS or anyone representing IVINS since [REDACTED] had last spoke to writer on June 06, 2008. [REDACTED] recalled that on July 01, 2008, [REDACTED] received a call at [REDACTED] residence from [REDACTED] work telephone: [REDACTED] indicated [REDACTED] was [REDACTED] in Frederick, Maryland. [REDACTED]

(WFO NOTE: [REDACTED] contacted writer telephonically minutes after the conclusion of the interview to provide this follow-up.)

[REDACTED] recalled aside from Division meetings at USAMRIID, [REDACTED]

Attached hereto and considered part of this record are the abovementioned emails [REDACTED] sent to writer.

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Sent: Thursday, June 12, 2008 11:28 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Agent [REDACTED]

Just had a few thoughts.

1. The first anthrax threat letter was against an abortion clinic in Louisville KY on Halloween 1998. Was that case ever solved? Would be interesting to take a second look.
2. The perpetrator had to have enough knowledge of anthrax to know that *Bacillus anthracis* spores could be delivered as a powder.
3. Bruce Ivins is Catholic and if I remember correctly.... is anti-abortion.
4. He and his wife adopted two children and have a daycare, which supports their love of children.
5. A list of pro-abortion Catholics in Washington includes [REDACTED] Daschle,
[REDACTED] Leahy [REDACTED]
6. The NY Post and Tom Brokaw (if I remember correctly) are rather liberal towards womens' rights and pro-choice.

[REDACTED]
June 12, 2008

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To:

Check this out. Sentiment among Catholics towards Sen. Daschle is not great. How does Ivins feel towards him?

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Tom Daschle's Duty to Be Morally Coherent

A Weekly Standard Exclusive: The Senate minority leader is ordered to stop calling himself a Catholic.

by J. Bottum

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TOM DASCHLE may no longer call himself a Catholic. The Senate minority leader and the highest ranking Democrat in Washington has been sent a letter by his home diocese of Sioux Falls, sources in South Dakota have told The Weekly Standard, directing him to remove from his congressional biography and campaign documents all references to his standing as a member of the Catholic Church.

This isn't exactly excommunication—which is unnecessary, in any case, since Daschle made himself ineligible for communion almost 20 years ago with his divorce and remarriage to a Washington lobbyist. The directive from Sioux Falls' Bishop Robert Carlson is rather something less than excommunication—and, at the same time, something more: a declaration that Tom Daschle's religious identification constitutes, in technical Catholic vocabulary, a grave public scandal. He was brought up as a Catholic, and he may still be in some sort of genuine mental and spiritual relation to the Church. Who besides his confessor could say? But Daschle's consistent political opposition to Catholic teachings on moral issues—abortion, in particular—has made him such a problem for ordinary churchgoers that the Church must deny him the use of the word "Catholic."

Much of the discussion about Daschle's standing has gone on in private over the last few years, although Bishop Carlson and Senator Daschle had a very public spat about partial-birth abortion in 1997. During the run-up to a Senate vote on the issue, Daschle proposed what he called a "compromise," banning the procedure while allowing exemptions for any woman who claimed mental or physical health reasons for having such a late-term procedure. Pointing out the way the exemptions gutted the ban, Carlson called Daschle's proposed compromise a "smokescreen" designed solely to "provide cover for pro-abortion senators and President Clinton, who wanted to avoid a veto confrontation."

Daschle, in turn, rose on the floor of the Senate in Washington to denounce his own bishop back in South Dakota for speaking in a way "more identified with the radical right than with thoughtful religious leadership." Carlson later told the Sioux Falls Argus Leader that he remains mystified by Daschle's position on abortion. "NARAL claims him as one of their number-one supporters. I don't understand how he can be in touch with South Dakotans as much as he is, and yet consistently have a pro-abortion record."

This year, on January 16, Bishop Carlson received additional ammunition for his discussions with Daschle when Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger's office, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, issued in Rome a "Doctrinal Note" on Catholics in political life. "A well-formed Christian conscience," the note declared, "does not permit one to vote for a political program or an individual law which contradicts the fundamental contents of faith and morals."

The Doctrinal Note marks at least the beginning of the end of the Vatican's toleration of what the pope's biographer George Weigel has called "Cuomoism" in the American Church: the effort to finesse abortion by declaring oneself personally opposed

but politically supportive of laws allowing abortion. Catholics have a "duty to be morally coherent," the Doctrinal Note declares, and the Catholic fight on the life issues--abortion, euthanasia, and cloning--is not some merely prudential question, to be decided by political give and take. The Catholic Church doesn't take political positions--except when politics intrudes into something, like the right to life, that ought to be beyond the power of politicians.

Bishop William Weigand of Sacramento was the first American bishop to use the new note from Rome. At a pro-life Mass on January 22, he spoke of California Governor Gray Davis's claim to be a "pro-choice Catholic." After describing the efforts by Davis's pastor to get the governor to see the moral incoherence of his position, Weigand declared, "As your bishop, I have to say clearly that anyone--politician or otherwise--who thinks it is acceptable for a Catholic to be pro-abortion is in very great error, puts his or her soul at risk, and is not in good standing with the Church. Such a person should have the integrity to acknowledge this and choose of his own volition to abstain from receiving Holy Communion until he has a change of heart." (Russ Lopez, a spokesman for Davis, responded with the hilarious and deeply revealing complaint that Bishop Weigand was "telling the faithful how to practice their faith." In Lopez's mind--as, indeed, in the minds of many--the promise of the separation of Church and state, in which no political figure gets to tell believers how to practice their faith, has turned into a need for the separation of Church and Church, in which not even a religious figure gets to tell believers how to practice their faith.)

There's quite a list of pro-abortion Catholics in Washington--beginning with Nancy Pelosi, the Democratic minority leader in the House--who could use similar instruction in "the duty to be morally coherent." Just in the Senate, there's Biden, Collins, Daschle, Dodd, Harkin, Kennedy, Kerry, Landrieu, Leahy, Mikulski, Murray, Reed, and more. But at least Tom Daschle has now been forced by Bishop Carlson to assume some responsibility for moral coherence--even if it is, unfortunately, a coherence achieved in the wrong direction.

The diocese in Sioux Falls would not say what brought the issue of Tom Daschle's Catholicism to a head at this moment, although one South Dakotan suggested it may have to do with Daschle's crossing of yet another line recently when he began direct fund-raising for NARAL. Senator Daschle's office has not yet responded to a request for comment. It's a serious thing when a bishop breaks a pastoral relation, no matter how tenuous that relation may have grown. But Bishop Carlson is right that the time has come to banish Cuomoism from American politics. This isn't a matter of favoring Republicans or Democrats. Regardless of their party, public figures who aren't going to oppose abortion shouldn't call themselves Catholic anymore.

A native of South Dakota, J. Bottum is Books & Arts editor of the Weekly Standard.

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[redacted], Date of Birth (DOB): [redacted]
[redacted] Social Security Account Number (SSAN) [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed, as pre-arranged, on the afternoon of June 04, 2008. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing Postal Inspector and Special Agent (SA) as well as the nature of the interview [redacted] provided the following information:

(WFO NOTE: [redacted] was reminded of the terms of the Non-disclosure Agreement Form that [redacted] was provided and voluntarily signed in an interview previously conducted June 04, 2008.)

[redacted] advised that if an "outsider" perpetrated the anthrax-laced letter mailings of 2001, then [redacted] opined that NEW HORIZONS INCORPORATED (INC.), located in Columbia, Maryland, had a financial motive to perpetrate the mailings. [redacted] opined "they" would go to "any lengths," and possibly were in financial trouble as well prior to the mailings. [redacted] advised the first anthrax-hoax letter occurred circa Halloween 1998, and [redacted] opined that around that time frame NEW HORIZONS INC., was trying to market their bio-detection kits to first-responders. [redacted] continued maybe the anthrax attacks of 2001 were sent to re-generate interest in their product.

[redacted] further advised [redacted] knew that [redacted] at NEW HORIZONS INC., dealt with Thailand, Poland, and other countries. However, upon reflection [redacted] further advised that if the anthrax used in the mailings came from "overseas" then it would not make sense to use an inferior grade of anthrax on the first mailings and a better grade on the second mailings. [redacted] opined [redacted] was a lot of talk, similar to a used car salesman; however, [redacted] further opined that around the time frame of the first Gulf War, [redacted] tried to sell antibodies [redacted] had stolen to Saudi Arabia.

[redacted] advised that it does not make any sense to [redacted] that former United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID) employee [redacted] would have perpetrated the anthrax-attacks of 2001 as a means to seek revenge on USAMRIID. [redacted] continued if that was the case, then why wouldn't [redacted] make the path more clear? [redacted] further advised a clearer path would have been mailings the letters to USAMRIID or [redacted]

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at least from a collection box not so near [] residence (i.e. not in New Jersey).

[] reiterated as stated in [] previous interviews with writer [] had made just a quick initial thought that the hand writing on the letters recovered from the anthrax-laced letter mailings of 2001 was similar to BRUCE IVINS. [] advised [] was familiar with IVINS's hand writing and had seen it over the years at USAMRIID. [] advised IVINS's hand writing [] had similar block appearance and upper-case letters.

[] recalled early on in IVINS's tenure at USAMRIID IVINS was very happy. [] further recalled IVINS to be animated in his office with [] and [] about events in the news. [] advised IVINS was constantly paying attention to what was going on in the media. [] never met IVINS's wife; however, [] recalled IVINS was very happy when they adopted two children. [] advised IVINS's wife ran a day care at their home.

[] advised IVINS would walk back and forth from home to work and had a pattern of late night activity at USAMRIID.

[] opined perhaps IVINS was spending time in the hot suites on the internet computer, or perhaps preparing manuscripts; however, [] had no opinion as to why IVINS's simply would not use the computer in his office to do this work.

[] opined if it was done at USAMRIID then one would not want to draw attention to themselves. [] opined growing the anthrax in shaker flasks would not draw attention because it was common to see them on. [] advised the "perpetrator" could have been making spores all along in the shaker flasks and then combining the various preparations to get enough spores.

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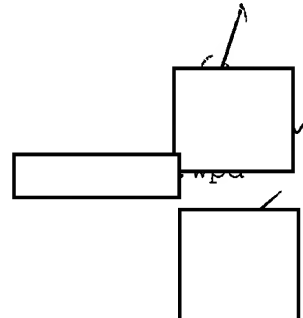


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On the afternoon of July 22, 2008, writer was telephonically contacted by [], cellular telephone #: []. [] indicated [] had not heard from writer in a while and was wondering "What the status of the case was?" Writer informed [] it was in neutral, and [] hadn't made any progress one way or another. Writer specifically queried [] as to what [] had heard. [] stated that []

[] had informed [] that BRUCE IVINS was in a mental institution. Writer indicated that some one else at USAMRIID had told [] something similar and that [] should contact writer in the future should [] hear any additional details.



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